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House Resolution 959

By: Representative Reece of the 11th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Assistant Fire Chief Ricky Jones for his heroic acts of valor;
- 2 and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Ricky Jones is the outstanding Assistant Fire Chief of the Trion
- 4 Fire Department in Trion, Georgia; and
- 5 WHEREAS, Assistant Chief Ricky Jones demonstrates his courage and commitment to duty
- 6 each and every day that he is on the job, but his actions on June 9, 2007, truly show what an
- 7 extraordinarily dedicated firefighter he really is; and
- 8 WHEREAS, on that date a Signal 14 incident occurred at the Chattooga River where three
- 9 adults and four small children had been involved in an overturned boating accident; and
- 10 WHEREAS, upon arriving on the scene, Assistant Chief Jones acted without hesitation and
- observed that one child victim was missing from the bank of the river, and he immediately
- began looking for the five-year-old boy; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he continued his searching efforts without ceasing until 3 A.M.; and
- 14 WHEREAS, in honor of his incredible performance under extreme pressure and uncommon
- dedication, Assistant Chief Ricky Jones is rightfully recognized for his valor; and
- 16 WHEREAS, all Georgians owe a tremendous debt of gratitude for the courageous and noble
- service of this outstanding firefighter and true public servant.
- 18 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 19 the members of this body join in commending Assistant Fire Chief Ricky Jones for his
- 20 actions of bravery and valor and thank him for his heroic service to the people of Georgia.

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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized

 $22 \quad \text{ and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Assistant Chief Ricky Jones}.$